

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1. (Cancelled)
2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim † 21, wherein the vegetation is selected from a group consisting of: residential landscaping plants, commercial landscaping plants, rural crops, residential crops and commercial crops.
3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim † 21, wherein the sheet comprises a textile material.
4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim † 21, wherein the sheet comprises a synthetic material.
5. (Original) The method of claim 4, wherein the synthetic material further comprises a polymeric material.
6. (Original) The method of claim 4, wherein the synthetic material further comprises a plurality of micro-perforations.
7. (Currently Amended) The method of claim † 21, wherein the sheet is colored black.
8. (Cancelled)

9. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 4 21, wherein the weight comprises a flexible weight.

10. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein the flexible weight is selected from the group consisting of: sand, metal beads and a fluid.

11. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 4 21, wherein the weight is selected from the group consisting of: a flexible weight, a metal rod, a disc and a magnet.

12. (Cancelled).

13. (Cancelled).

14. (Currently Amended) The cover of claim 43 22, wherein the sheet is colored black.

15. (Currently Amended) The cover of claim 43 22, wherein the piping is staggered around the ~~parameter~~ perimeter edge of the sheet.

16. (Currently Amended) The cover of claim 43 22, wherein the weight comprises a flexible weight.

17. (Currently Amended) The ~~method~~ cover of claim 16, wherein the flexible weight is selected from the group consisting of: sand, metal beads and a fluid.

18. (Currently Amended) The cover of claim ~~13~~ 22, wherein the weight is selected from the group consisting of: a flexible weight, a metal rod, a disc and a magnet.

19. (Cancelled)

20. (Cancelled)

21. (New) A method for covering vegetation in a cold or windy environment such that the vegetation is protected from frost, comprising the steps of:

providing an area of earth having vegetation disposed therein;

providing a blanket for placement over the vegetation, the blanket including a sheet of material having an interior area, piping extending continuously around the entire perimeter of the material and into the interior area and a weight disposed within the piping; and

positioning the blanket over the vegetation, whereby the weight disposed within the piping functions to restrain the movement of the cover.

22. (New) A cover for vegetation for use in cold or windy environments such that the vegetation is protected from frost comprising:

a blanket, the blanket including a sheet of synthetic material having an interior area, a perimeter edge, a plurality of micro-perforations and piping that extends continuously around the entire perimeter edge and into the interior area of the material; and

a weight positioned within the piping to restrain the movement of the cover when the cover is in position over the vegetation.